





# DAILY RECORD-UNION

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## SAN FRANCISCO AGENTS.

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## A SUPREME IMPORTANCE MATTER.

The San Francisco Alta calls a halt for more thoughtful consideration of the proposed election law. We agree with the contemporary that it is best in all such matters to make haste slowly, and in this instance to turn over and about every feature of the bill and scrutinize it critically. The measure is not to be taken off hand; it is open to criticism, and is susceptible of improvement; wherever its aims can be penetrated, the weakness in its armor must be remedied. The chief errors which we have found are the numbering of the ballots, the clerical indorsement of the ballot at the time of its delivery to the voter, and the retention of the present method of selecting officers of election boards. In these objections the Alta joins. As the voter is to receive his ballot only from these clerks, that fact puts into their hands a great power, and inseparable from it will be the temptation to misuse it. These clerks should, therefore, be chosen with greatest care. Why the bill may not be amended to provide for their selection, or by some other than the present method, we cannot understand. The Alta desires, but little virtue in requiring the ballots to be printed at public expense. Perhaps it is not a great economy. It is not, however, in providing that the greater worth of the provision lies, but in the right it guarantees "the rejected man" to run for office. Under the present system, if a convention rejects an aspirant, he cannot help his motion, or appeal to the people, except he is able to pay for some thousands of ballots and maintain scores of hired ballot-peddlers to present his ticket to voters. This effectively "bars out" the man of limited means. But beyond this, the printing of the ballots by lawful authority insures uniformity, and precludes the possibility of stuffing the ballot-box, except by collusion among the whole line of the election board at each polling-place and perhaps of the county officials. For, if to every board there is issued a given number of ballots, previously identified by such device or indorsement as may be adopted, and these are bound in stub-book form, the ballots in the box must correspond precisely with the ballots torn from the stub-book. Right here we call attention to what is evidently an inadvertent omission in the bill—the failure to provide for the certification back of the stub-book to the election board, the poll-books and tally-sheets, and the preservation of the same along with the other documents of the board.

## AN UNTENABLE POSITION.

The people of Sacramento will learn with surprise that their State Senator has taken a position in opposition to the measure proposing a London California Exhibition. The Chamber now has nothing before it but dissolution, from which it will not escape. The Republic is now free to all Frenchmen of good will. May they enter in as the others have.

## THE EAST AFRICA BILL—WISMAN'S JOURNEY—THE FRENCH ELECTION.

BERLIN, January 29th.—In the Reichstag today the East Africa bill passed its second reading, after a short debate, in which only the Progress and Socialist members opposed the measure. Captain Wissman, when questioned regarding the composition of his forces, declared that the employment of forcible action was unavoidable. The more energetic the British, the better it would be for the world. He would go to the front, having been instructed officially to continue to the front.

## THE REPORTS ON THE HOME FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED.

A majority of the Senate Committee on State Hospitals has reported upon the Home for Feeble-minded Children and advises against appropriating the sums asked for in the bill now before the Legislature. The new bill asks for \$150,000 for these purposes; the majority of the committee favor granting \$25,000, to be used for the erection of two detached frame buildings. It holds the present site to be a good one, and the acreage sufficient.

## A PATHETIC CHAPTER.

In this issue we publish a remarkably touching self-related experience of the late James R. Richards, in his work of educating and developing, physically and mentally, the feeble-minded and idiotic. Mr. Richards had no superior in his work; none more devoted to it or who achieved greater success. As an instance of what can be done by whole-hearted devotion, untiring patience and unbounded sympathy for the unfortunate case named, we have read nothing more eloquent, touching and convincing. It is but a glimpse of the life of an eminent worker in this field of philanthropy, but it discloses one of the most pathetic phases of the labor and self-sacrifice of those who devote their lives to amelioration of human suffering.

## MISS KATE MAYHEW!

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# FOREIGN TOPICS.

CHARACTERISTIC ADDRESS FROM BOULANGER.

Hooting a Premier—O'Brien Arrested in England—Effect of the French Election.

## GRIM-VISAGED WAR.

Europe Trembling With Suppressed Fear of the Future.

## LA BELLE FRANCE.

Floquet's Proposed Policy—Defeat of the Government Probable.

## AT BEELIN.

The East Africa Bill—Wissman's Journey—The French Election.

## THE TRIUMPH OF THE SEASON!

Editor O'Brien Re-arrested.

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# TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.

Edna Krall's murder confession is discredited in Portland.

Otto Curdis is on trial at San Jose for the murder of George Dibble.

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Richard Lawrence's residence in Grass Valley, was burned on Monday. Loss, \$1,000. Insurance unknown.

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Charles Anderson, a Napa saloon-keeper, while suffering with the delirium tremens, attempted suicide yesterday. The wound is dangerous but not necessarily fatal.

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A Salvation Army cadet named Rickup was caught making love to a married woman at Deer Lodge, Mont., and the husband kicked him out of the house. He returned to his task of saving sinners.

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Keller, an image-maker at Victoria, B.C., has thrashed his wife frequently, and on Monday while drunk, beat her so cruelly on the head and body that she has since become insane and has endeavored to kill herself.

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Rolling stock—cattle on board a steamship in a storm.

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Special Meeting of Union Lodge, No. 8, and A. O. U. will be held THIS EVENING, at 7:30 o'clock. Members of Union Lodge are invited to attend. All other guests cordially invited to attend.

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WANTED—GOOD SOLICITORS WANTED in the principal counties east and north of Sacramento to look up business. Apply to J. H. WILSON, 401 J Street, Sacramento.

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# AMUSEMENTS.

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